

TSC ACTIVITIES

October 1, 2002 to September 5, 2003

The National Tribal Injury Prevention Steering Committee enhances the capacity of tribes to address and fund injury prevention programs, and serves as an advocate and liaison with national partners.

MEMBER AND ALTERNATE STATUS:

AREA	Member	Alternate
Aberdeen	Dennis Renville	Mona Zuffante, joined the TSC in February, 2003
Alaska	Helen Andon, Chair	Kathy O’Gara
Albuquerque	Maria Benton,	Frances Anchondo, joined the TSC in April, 2003
Bemidji	Antoinelle Benally Thompson, Vice-Chair	Charles Bressette, Sr., joined the TSC in January, 2003
Billings	Raphaella Stump- Runningaround, Alternate elevated to Member	Elaine Boyd, Member, resigned, February 2003
California	Norma McAdams	Barbara Hart
Nashville	Eldon Espling	
Navajo	Lawrence Garnanez	Beverly Becenti-Pigman
Oklahoma	Bonnie Stephenson	Doug Johnston
Portland	Luella Azule, Secretary, joined the TSC in December, 2002	
Phoenix	Amanda Leivas-Sharpe	
Tucson	Feliciano Cruz, Treasurer	Carmen Estrella, joined the TSC in November, 2002

TSC Member Biographies prepared and placed on the IHS Injury Prevention Website

TELECONFERENCE CALL MEETINGS:

10/10/02; 11/7/02; 12/5/02; 1/9/03; 2/6/03; 4/3/03; 7/3/03; 7/31/03; 9/3/03

Topics covered during the monthly teleconference calls included:

- Training and Program Development Fellowship status
- Marketing
- Strategic Planning
- Budget formulation
- Injury Prevention Projects or initiatives
- TSC successes
- Face to Face meeting planning
- Scholarships
- GPRA

FACE TO FACE MEETINGS:

October 18, 2002 – Phoenix, AZ.

Emphasis on Strategic Planning with consultation from Jillene Joseph.

February 26-27, 2003 – Window Rock Arizona, hosted by the Navajo Nation and Lawrence Garnanez and Nancy Bill.

Emphasis on Strategic Planning with consultation from Dr. Chris Percy and Karen Sandoval-Mares from IHS, Navajo Nation

September 3-4, 2003 – Bismarck North Dakota, hosted by the United Technical Tribal College and Dennis Renville

Emphasis on networking with Tribal Leaders, UTTC, and training on Marketing and Negotiation/Conflict Resolution

PROJECTS:

Injury Status Reports commissioned and completed by 8/03

COST OF INJURIES INVOLVING NATIVE AMERICANS: A DISPROPORTIONATE BURDEN AND CRITICAL NEED FOR PREVENTION

Neill F. Piland, Dr. P.H.

Research Professor and Director

Institute of Rural Health

Idaho State University

Intentional Injuries in American Indian Communities: A Report with Recommendations
by Lenora Olson, Stephanie Wahab, Myrna Gooden

Reducing Disparities of Motor Vehicle Crash Injury and Mortality Among American Indians and Alaska Natives

By David C. Grossman, MD, MPH

Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center

COLLABORATIONS:**Program Development Fellowship:**

TSC Members actively recruited 10 Tribal members. TSC members, Helen, Amanda, and Luella, served on the IHS PD Fellowship Selection Committee. Helen Andon and Kathy O’Gara (TSC Alternate and Alaska IP Director) both presented at the first Fellowship class in Seattle, June 4-6, 2003

The following TSC Members and Alternates are PD Fellows this year: Eldon Espling, Maria Benton, Frances Anchondo, and Norma McAdams

IHS and Tribal Budget Formulations

Aberdeen: Dennis Renville met with tribal leaders during budget formulation negotiations.

Alaska: Helen Andon and Ryan Hill participated in the budget formulation meetings and were successful in advocating in the placement of injury prevention from 13th to 7th on the list of priorities.

Bemidji: Antoinelle Benally Thompson and Diana Kuklinski participated in the budget formulation hearings as expert witnesses

Navajo: Lawrence Garmenez was successful in the placement of injury prevention as 5th on the list of priorities for FY 05

Portland: Luella Azule participated in the budget formulation meetings in March, 2003.

IHS Sleep Safe and Ride Safe Programs

TSC members assisted with the recruitment of tribal applications for both programs. The following were selected and funded by IHS:

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Head Start	Little Traverse Bay Bands Head Start
Taos Pueblo Head Start	Pueblo of Laguna Head Start
St. Regis Mohawk Head Start	Pueblo of San Felipe Head Start
St. Croix Tribe Head Start	White Mountain Apache Tribe Head Start
Bristol Bay Native Association Head Start	Navajo Nation-Hardrock Head Start
Pueblo of Santo Domingo Head Start	Lac du Flambeau Band Head Start
Lac du Flambeau Band Head Start	White Earth Head Start
Havasupai Head Start	Muscogee Creek Nation Head Start
Hopi Tribe Head Start	Osage Nation Head Start
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Head Start	Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation Head Start
Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes Head Start	

IHS Part 1 and Part II Grants:

TSC members actively recruited Tribal Organizations to apply; as well as to assist in the grant writing process. IHS received 31 applications: 17 Part I and 14 Part II. It is a good group of applicants, representing all IHS Areas. The objective review committee for the Part I applications met in August and completed the review of the Part I applications. TSC members Helen Andon and Luella Azule were part of the review committee

PRESENTATIONS:

DHHS Health Disparities Conference, Denver, September 2002. Helen Andon, Alan Dellapenna and David Wallace.

National Congress of American Indians, Health Sub-Committees. San Diego
November 2002. Helen Andon

Wellness Conference, Phoenix, February 2003. Helen Andon and Kenny Hicks, IHS Phoenix Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. Kenel, SD. Dennis Renville.

Aberdeen Area Women's Wellness Conference. Rapid City, SD.
May 2003 Dennis Renville

Aberdeen Tribal Chairman's Health Board. Dennis Renville

IHS Health Disparity, Las Vegas, California Area tribal leaders.
May 2003 Norma McAdams

TSC SUCCESSES:

Alaska: Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation hosted Chairman Hal Stratton of the Consumer Products Safety Commission. The purpose was for the Chairman to have a first hand look at how ATVs are used in rural Alaska. Ryan Hill and Helen Andon gave testimony at the Anchorage ATV Hearing. The Tribal Health Organization Injury Prevention Directors were able to teleconference with Jeffrey Trout, CPSC Legal Council regarding ATV concerns and potential collaboration between the CPSC and the Tribal Health Organizations.

Billings: MADD Chapters getting established on Wind River Reservation

California: The CRIHB website has several pages devote specifically to injury prevention and includes information about the Bike Safe Program.

Navajo: Indian Health Services Navajo Area Injury Prevention grant is approved to purchase for the Department of Corrections seven Intoxilizer (5000 EN). These intoxilizers will be utilized for the individual(s) who are booked into the adult detention facility and in Tohatchi, Navajo Nation.

Oklahoma: the 4 Grantees, Kaw, Caddo, Comanche And Chickasaw sponsored a 4 day child Passenger Safety Training in October, 2002. Sixteen Tribal and IHS staff participated and successfully completed and received national certification as CPS Technicians.

Portland: Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB), completed a child safety seat study with Shoshone-Bannock, and Nez Perce Tribes in Idaho, Confederated Tribes of Colville and Spokane Tribes in Washington, and Confederated Tribes of Grand Rhonde and Klamath Tribes in Oregon. In July 2003, NPAIHB submitted a grant to NHTSA to increase seat belt use in rural areas. Unfortunately, it was not funded. Ms. Azure also participates in the Transportation Research Board conference calls.